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"No men living are more worthy to be trusted than those who toil up from poverty, none less inclined to take or touch aught which they have not honestly earned."—Abraham Lincoln.

Austin Secured Double Pay For Soldiers and Sailors

Congressman Little's Tribute To Austin

The following extract is taken from a speech of Representative Little, of Kansas, in the House of Representatives:

"The soldiers of the Republic who go to carry the American flag over the German trenches owe a debt of gratitude to the Hon. Richard W. Austin, of Tennessee, that time cannot stale nor custom wither in a thousand years. He brought in the amendment here that gave them a pay that no soldiers in the world ever received before. His name will shine luminous in the dark watches of the night over the American camps for a century, while these 'great leaders', with records as yet unmade, and these expert statesmen, with their pruning knives, who seek to snatch from the fighting man's fingers DICK AUSTIN'S magnificent gift, are unwept, unhonored, and unsung."

GEORGE W. HILL

FOR

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

GREATER KNOXVILLE, 26 WARDS
Will Appreciate Your Vote and Influence in the Election Aug. 1, 1918

I am a candidate for Justice of the Peace for Greater Knoxville, election first Thursday, and first day of August next.

I was born in Jefferson County, where I lived until I came to Knoxville thirteen years ago.

Before coming to Knoxville I served seven years as County Judge and twelve years as County Court Clerk of my native county. I claim a good share of the credit for putting the business affairs of Jefferson County on a safe and sound business basis.

Since coming to Knoxville many years ago, I have served the taxpayers as President of the Equalization Tax Board and I am now chairman of the Knox County Revenue and Auditing Committee, in which positions I have aided in saving the taxpayers thousands of dollars.

Give me your support and I will deal out Justice in accordance with the law and will not tolerate oppression and grafting by officers doing business in my court.

Respectfully,

GEORGE W. HILL.
Residence, Y. M. C. A.; Office, 325 West Clinch; Old Phone 1560; New Phone 1560.

J. F. Huddleston For Circuit Court Clerk Campbell County
We are authorized to announce the name of J. F. Huddleston, as a candidate for re-election for Circuit Court Clerk for Campbell County.
Election Aug. 1, 1918

W. A. Chanabery Announces For Constable

I am a candidate for re-election for Constable for the First District of Knox County, and will appreciate your vote and influence. Election August 1, 1918
Respectfully
W. A. Chanabery

THE MINERS ARE FOR AUSTIN.

Has Always Been Their Consistent Friend—Started Movement To Drive Convicts Out of Coal Creek Thirty-Five Years Ago.

What does the Independent, thinking, union coal digger of the Second Congressional District think of the bold effort to deliver his vote to J. Will Taylor against Congressman Austin?

The miners' union is a non-political organization for the promotion of the interests of the coal miners and their families; it is not a political football to be kicked around in behalf of a candidate for any office. It is a great organization that is devoted to the uplift of miners and the causes of labor; it is not an organization through which any one may deliver the votes of the miners to this or that candidate in plain disregard of the record of the man these leaders would fight, and regardless of the character of man these leaders would dictate should be elected.

Congressman Austin has a record on the labor question. It is known that he has always been the friend of the miner. For thirty-five years he has consistently stood by the miners of this district. Sixteen years ago, on May 19, 1902, when the terrible Fraterville mine explosion blotted out the lives of 184 brave men and boys at Coal Creek, Congressman Austin, ten years before he even became a candidate for Congress, raised in Knoxville, for the relief of the widows, mothers and orphans of these splendid and heroic dead the sum of \$30,000. He did this through the Chamber of Commerce of the city of Knoxville, of which he was a member, and was the man who started the movement. Each and every year since that time he has sent a floral wreath to be placed upon the graves of these men and boys. Again, in 1912, when the Cross Mountain disaster at Briceville blotted out the lives of 84 men and boys, he again came to the relief of the widow and the orphan, and contributed \$100 to the relief fund raised in their behalf.

And years before that Austin was fighting the use of convicts in the mine in competition with free labor, and largely through his efforts this was done away with.

There stands in Jellico today a \$70,000 Federal building in which is the only mine rescue station in the South; and largely through his efforts have the many mine rescue teams among the miners been organized. It is an inspiration to see the splendid progress the miners have made since they have taken up this work.

If anything more is necessary to complete his record as a friend of labor, it may be said that the greatest of all labor leaders in the country, Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, endorses Congressman Austin's record as a friend of labor.

But Mr. Taylor advances the argument that Austin is a poor man, and is not a big taxpayer and therefore should be defeated. Since Taylor made this charge hundreds of poor men have been heard to say that they never knew before that it was a crime to be poor.

But this brings on more talk. As a matter of fact, Austin is a taxpayer. He paid last year \$369 in taxes. Then the question arose, How much taxes does Mr. Taylor pay? And the further question arose, How much should he pay? Mr. Taylor's sworn tax schedule was hunted up. It was in his own handwriting, and was signed and sworn to by him. In this schedule, in which he swore that he had listed and turned in for taxation all his property, Mr. Taylor swore that he did not have one dollar on deposit in any bank. And he made this sworn statement shortly after he had showed to as many as five reputable men in the city of Knoxville bank deposit certificates on the City National Bank of Knoxville for fifteen thousand dollars, and stated to these men that he had on deposit in a LaFollette bank the additional sum of ten thousand dollars. The trap in which Mr. Taylor has been caught has got teeth in it, and, like other men who have been caught in such traps, he put the teeth in it. Taylor says in his signed published announcement for Congress, "I have barely sufficient funds to meet the legitimate expenses of the campaign, and I have not received, and neither do I expect, contributions from outside sources." Mr. Taylor has never made an income tax return. He would have had to make such a return if he had ever earned any such sum as \$25,000. The big question of this campaign, therefore, is, Where did you get this twenty-five thousand dollars, Mr. Taylor. The answer is evident.

There is but one source from which you could have gotten it. As Chairman of the State Republican Committee in the campaign of 1916 you handled and the committee handed over \$65,000, and, according to your own statement, you have not received this money from outside sources, you have barely enough money to pay the expenses of the campaign, you have made no income tax returns, and you swore that you had no money on deposit, in the teeth of the fact that you had this twenty-five thousand dollars on time deposit in the bank.

The net draws even tighter. You also state over your signature, "As a matter of fact, the entire amount handled by the State Committee during the 1916 state campaign amounted to only \$45,000, and every cent of that amount was collected and distributed by the treasurer of the committee, Hon. A. V. McLane of Lewisburg, Tenn. The truth of the matter is, the records of the National Committee show that \$25,000 was sent direct to Mr. Taylor.



HON. AUSTIN PEAY, CLARKSVILLE, TENN.

Candidate For The Democratic Nomination For Governor Of Tennessee.

Hon. Austin Peay, of Clarksville, Tenn., who is seeking the Democratic nomination for Governor of Tennessee, is one of the best known and well qualified men that we have in public life in this State.

For the past twenty years he has taken an active part in the great and momentous questions that have been under consideration in connection with the welfare and advancement of our great commonwealth.

He has served several terms in the General Assembly, and has filled many of the most important positions in that august body, always working earnestly and faithfully for the general welfare, and the upbuilding of the interests of Tennessee and the great institutions that are under the charge of the State.

He is a man who attracts the respect and admiration of all citizens who are fortunate enough to know him, and those who are thus favored will without exception see the truth and consistency in the following statement issued by his neighbors and business associates of his home city, with whom he has mixed and mingled for the last twenty years.

Statement of the Clarksville Chamber of Commerce:

At a meeting of the Clarksville Chamber of Commerce on March 8, 1918, which was largely attended by members and representative citizens, a committee was appointed to prepare a statement relative to the Hon. Austin Peay, whose candidacy for Governor has been announced. This committee composed of the leading men in all lines of business, the legal, fraternity, and religious denominations at a later meeting submitted the following statement which was unanimously adopted:

Because of prevailing extraordinary conditions, which demand the thought and the service of our best men in Federal and State Government and, appreciating the opportunity that the candidacy of our fellow townsman, the Hon. Austin Peay, offers to the people of the State, the Chamber of Commerce of Clarksville desires to present the following statement to the public:

We recognize that Hon. Austin Peay is prompted to offer his services to the people of Tennessee as their

Mr. Taylor says he has barely enough money to pay the expenses of his campaign. He says he has received no money from outside sources. He swore he had no money on deposit in any bank when he returned his property for taxation. Those acquainted with him know he has earned no such sum of money. Yet he had in his possession bank deposit certificates for \$25,000 shortly before he entered this race and shortly after the close of the state campaign of 1916. The one question in the minds of every one is, Where did he get this money? The question answers itself. This unfortunate predicament into which Mr. Taylor has gotten himself, explains his violent abuse of Mr. Austin. A guilty conscience needs no accuser. Realizing that he would have to face the music, knowing that the cat would get out of the bag, fully aware that he had trapped himself by showing this mysterious, non-taxable, non-receivable, unearned money, Mr. Taylor adopted the policy of violent abuse of Mr. Austin. His campaign has been the performance of a cuttle fish, endeavoring to becloud the guilty facts by muddying the water. How much of this \$25,000 is to be paid for your delivery, Mr. Miner? There is not enough money in this country to switch the honest miners, many of whom, like Mr. Austin, are poor men, from their friend throughout the years.

S. R. RAMBO

Candidate For Justice Of The Peace City at Large

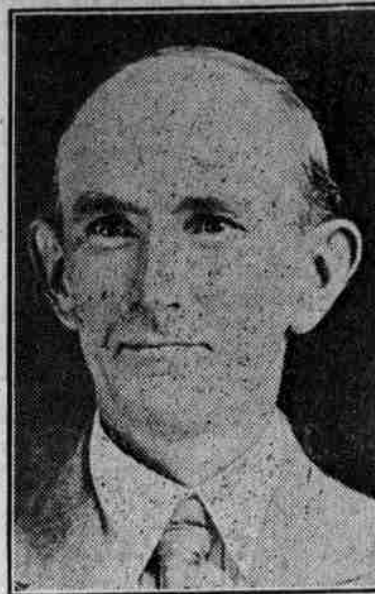
I hereby announce my candidacy for Justice of the Peace for the City of Knoxville at Large. If re-elected, will not open an office, feeling that already there are sufficient acting justices without opening another office.

I was elected to fill out the unexpired term of the late Esq. Wm. A. Knabe in 1914, and since that date have represented the taxpayers of the city at the meetings of the Quarterly Court and as a member of the Finance Committee, and feel that I can be of service to the taxpayers, if re-elected to a second term.

The time is entirely too short to canvass the voters of the Great City of Knoxville and I will rely only upon newspaper advertising to announce my candidacy, and the voters are hereby requested to investigate my past official record and if said investigation warrants re-election your support will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly,

S. R. RAMBO.



J. D. WYRICK

Republican Candidate For

House Of Representatives

For Knox County

Will Appreciate Your Vote and Influence

in the Primary Aug. 1, 1918.

Put none but Americans on guard. There is a clarion call for men of loyalty and unity. Men who love God of Heaven and not the despotic monarchs and kings of earth. Let us rally to the cause of humanity and get down to sound patriotic business principles. Let us renovate. Let us consider that we are left alone in the world as one big fort, one big bread table, and one big bank among nations. Economy is very necessary and if we win the war we must move as one united people, conglomerated for good. We have sought ease and comfort rather than the path of duty, and our mistakes are looking us square in the face.

We need legislation to make things better and to overcome some mistakes, favor the raising of more live stock, thereby lowering the price of meats. This can be done by State laws. I favor farm organization and lowering of prices on farm supplies, fertilizers, machinery, etc., the upkeep of public roads by section forces, and by this method we can save thousands of dollars yearly. Education and morality must be promoted and a standard of school books established to stop the school book graft, which has been a drain on the people. I favor the establishment of greater and more efficient tuberculosis sanitariums, better working conditions for men and women, ventilation, pure water, and inspection of all shops and factories. I favor protection for all organizations instituted for good.

Education, sanitation, welfare work, libraries, medicines, international morality and religion must be our every day thoughts. Law deals with everything, everybody, everywhere, and with you and me. It tells us what to do and the reason for doing it. Respect the law, oppose mob violence, boost National Prohibition, and may we shine as a nation for God throughout the world.

KNOX COUNTY REPUBLICAN TICKET



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HUGH M. TATE X

Circuit Court Judge

VON A. HUFFAKER X

Criminal Court Judge

T. A. R. NELSON X

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RUFUS A. MYNATT X

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Juvenile Judge

E. G. STOOKSBURY X

Sheriff

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Trustee

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County Court Clerk

AARON W. EDINGTON X

Circuit Court Clerk

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Criminal Court Clerk

DAVE WALKER X

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ELECTION THURSDAY, AUG. 1, 1918

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VOTE FOR

L. C. ELY

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE

FOR

ATTORNEY-GENERAL

FOR

KNOX COUNTY

Election August 1st. 1918

"CHANGE CONDITIONS BY A CHANGE IN OFFICE"